

# CSWC Operational Period Summary

## 1800 December 09 2015 to 0600 December 10 2015



Oil spill in Somis, Ventura County

Photo Credit: Capt Mike Lindbery, Ventura County FD PIO/Twitter

Note: [Report updates are in blue](#)



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# SITUATION SUMMARY

## National News – Significant Events

### **Two dead, thousands without power after U.S. Pacific Northwest storms**

(Reuters) Drenching storms triggered mudslides and flooding in the Pacific northwest on Wednesday, knocking out power to thousands of people and leaving two women dead in Oregon, authorities and local media reported. Portland has endured more than 5 inches of rain in three days, nearly as much as all of December in a typical year, and Seattle exceeded its normal December rainfall tally in just 8 days, the National Weather Service said. The service said mountainous areas of Oregon and neighboring Washington state, where Governor Jay Inslee declared a state of emergency on Wednesday, have received more than a foot of rain. The record-breaking storms opened sinkholes in several major roads, caused rivers to spill over their banks and closed roads and schools for a third day in the worst-hit areas across the region. The Weather Service forecast said a number of major Puget Sound area rivers had overflowed, and it issued warnings of other floods. National Weather Service meteorologist Gerald Macke said he could not definitively say whether the parade of storms was linked to the El Nino weather pattern. A 60-year-old Portland woman died when a tree fell on her house, according to the city's fire department. Another woman drowned on Wednesday when her car became submerged in standing high water in Clatskanie, in the state's north, the Oregonian reported. In Clackamas County, firefighters waded through hip-deep water and used rafts to help rescue people trapped in their homes, authorities said. Outside Tacoma, Washington, emergency officials rescued several people who were swept into the swollen Puyallup River overnight on Wednesday from a bankside homeless encampment, police said. Washington transportation officials said interstate highway travel between Portland and Seattle would be closed until at least Thursday morning, as engineers needed to evaluate an unstable hillside after boulders fell onto the freeway north of Portland. Puget Sound Energy, a utility that serves Seattle, reported 37,000 customers were without electricity after fierce winds and hail hit the city. Storms have also left 26,000 customers without power in the Portland area, utility Portland General Electric said.

## International News – Significant Events

### **North Korea's Kim Jong-un 'in H-bomb claim'**

(BBC) North Korean leader Kim Jong-un has appeared to suggest his country possesses a hydrogen bomb, in comments published on state media. The country was "ready to detonate a self-reliant A-bomb and H-bomb", KCNA quoted him as saying. If true, the development would mark a significant advancement in North Korean nuclear capabilities. But the claim has not been independently verified and has drawn skepticism from experts. Mr. Kim made the remarks as he inspected a historical military site in the capital Pyongyang. The work of his grandfather Kim Il-sung had turned North Korea into a "powerful nuclear weapons state ready to detonate a self-reliant A-bomb and H-bomb to reliably defend its sovereignty and the dignity of the nation", he is quoted as saying. While North Korea has made previous claims about its nuclear weapons capabilities this is thought to be its first reference to an H-bomb. Such devices use fusion to create a blast far more powerful than a more basic atomic bomb. North Korea has carried out three underground nuclear tests before, but experts cast doubt over the latest suggestions, while warning over Pyongyang's ambitions.

# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

## **911 Outage, Humboldt County**

- On 12/09/15 at 1048 hours the California State Warning Center (CSWC) received a report indicating that there was a 911 outage in Humboldt County due to an AT&T fiber line cut by a Caltrans road crew while repairing a culvert. [AT&T has deployed fiber splicing trailers and have provisions to perform repairs under rainy conditions.](#)
- The current Estimated Time of Restoral is 1200 hours, 12/10/15.
- The CSWC made contact with the following: Humboldt County Warning Point (Humboldt County Sherriff's Office), the CA 911 Branch, California Utilities Emergency Association (CUEA), the Cal OES Coastal Duty Officer (CDO), Cal OES Law Branch, and Cal OES TComm Branch.
- The outage is on an AT&T fiber optic line between the Rio Dell remote office and the Eureka central office
- [The CSWC has positive contact with Humboldt County Warning Point via CALWAS, 10-digit landline, and OASIS.](#)
- Per the CA 911 Branch: Rio Dell Remote Office, Humboldt County, as well as additional areas/services throughout the County are affected. Alternate Humboldt County Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP) are operational and taking their calls.

## **SPILL: 15-7175, Somis, Ventura County**

- The California State Warning Center (CSWC) received a Hazardous Materials Spill Report advising of an approximately 500 barrel (Bbl.) release of crude oil on a damaged transmission line in Somis, Ventura County. The location is approximately ½ way between Camarillo and Moorpark.
- A berm was built in the trench 2/5 of mile from the leak to assist with containment and prevent the release from going further down the trench.
- Eastbound SR-118 is closed and one-way traffic control is in effect; the freeway should reopen when clean-up is complete.
- Air monitoring is being conducted for benzene. There are no EOC activations related to this incident.
- The damaged section of piping has been removed. Crews are currently working to install the new section of pipe. Soil was removed to a depth of approximately 30 feet below ground surface in the rupture area to facilitate the removal of the damaged pipeline.
- Cleanup has been divided into three Divisions. Division 1 is complete. Clean up in Divisions 2 and 3 continues. There is currently no timeline available for the completion of cleanup.

## **Train Derailment, Bakersfield, Kern County, SPILL: 15-7213**

- [The California State Warning Center \(CSWC\) received notification of a train derailment involving 1 railcar carrying scrap metal and 1 locomotive derailed upright. No release of hazardous materials and no injuries to crew or passengers. All notifications were made per SOP.](#)

# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

## **Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought**

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

## **Weather of Concern**

### **Northern California**

- PG&E has opened their Storm Centers in response to the recent heavy rainfall in the North Coast area.
- A Pacific cold front moving through Northern California today will bring rain and mountain snow to the north state. This system will bring rain and gusty winds to the morning valley commute and snow to the Sierra passes later this morning. Snowfall will be possible over the Shasta mountains and coast range this evening as snow levels drop. Showers on Friday will be followed by another weather system moving into northern California late Saturday and Sunday.

### **Southern California**

- The largest surf event of the season so far is expected to affect many Southwestern California beaches today through Saturday. Along the Central Coast, surf heights between 16 and 22 feet with locally higher sets are expected. Across the beaches of Los Angeles and Ventura counties, surf heights between 8 and 12 feet with local sets to 15 feet are expected. The highest surf conditions will occur along west and northwest facing beaches. These surf conditions will produce dangerous rip currents, minor coastal flooding and beach erosion, as well as sneaker waves that can inundate beaches and overtop jetties and rock walls. Additionally, coastal structures such as piers may be susceptible to damage. Above normal high tides at six feet or greater during the morning hours will increase the likelihood of these impacts.

### **Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:**

[http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa\\_bc\\_cal.php](http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php)

# WEATHER

## WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

#### **Eureka Weather:**

A potent cold front will impact Northern California tonight bringing strong gusty winds and periods of heavy rainfall to the region. Snow levels will fall Thursday and Friday bringing snow accumulations to pass levels. Wet weather will persist into the weekend.

#### **Medford Weather:**

Thunderstorms will move through extreme Northern California early this morning with brief very heavy precipitation expected.

#### **Reno Weather:**

A winter storm will impact the Sierras through tonight with high winds, followed by heavy snow in the Sierra and rain for lower elevations. Snow may accumulate in lower valleys by early Friday morning. Another colder storm will likely bring more snow and wind for Sunday and Sunday night. Both of these storms will produce significant travel impacts especially near the Sierra.

#### **San Francisco Weather:**

Cold front will move through the Bay Area this morning with heavier rain that will impact the morning commute. Rain will turn to showers by midday but then more showers will develop overnight into Friday. High surf will arrive along the coast later today into Friday as well. Next storm moves into the North Bay late Saturday night with another round of rain for all area on Sunday.





# WEATHER

## WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

### **CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:**

#### **Sacramento Weather:**

A wet storm system is moving through Northern California this morning. Significant snow expected over the Sierra today with snow down to the coast range this evening. Strong winds through this morning gusting to 40 mph or more northern Sacramento valley. Showers can be expected on Friday with another system arriving through late Saturday and Sunday.

#### **Hanford Weather:**

A cold storm system will move through Central California today and Friday bringing precipitation and gusty winds. An unsettled pattern will continue into the weekend as another cold storm arrives on Sunday.

### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:**

#### **Los Angeles Weather:**

Dense fog will lift later this morning. A few weak storm systems will bring periods of showers and cooler conditions later today through next Tuesday. Rainfall totals will remain light overall, but there could be an isolated thunderstorm on Friday. High temperatures will be several degrees below normal for this time of year beginning Friday.

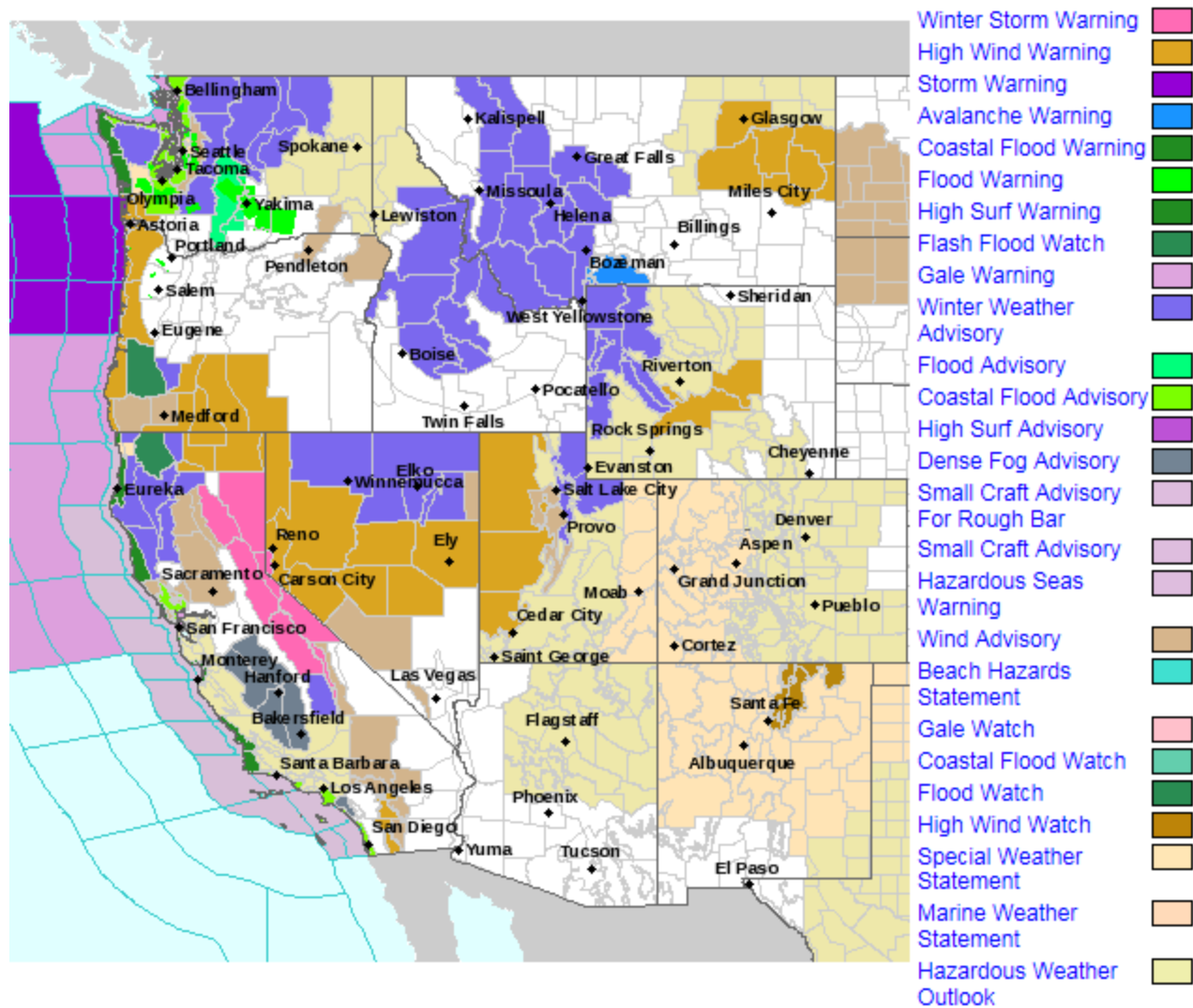
#### **Extreme Southwestern California including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:**

Dense fog from a shallow marine layer will reduce visibilities to less than a quarter mile in the some of the coastal areas this morning. A potent low pressure trough will bring winds and showers to Southwestern California tonight through Friday. Fair over the weekend before the next trough brings more winds and showers Sunday night through Tuesday morning. Cool but dry weather will follow Tuesday and Wednesday.

#### **Southeast California Weather:**

Mild conditions will continue today while winds increase across the Sierra, Owens Valley, and southern Great Basin. Mountain snowfall is expected across the Sierra this afternoon with shower chances and cooler air spreading on Friday. Gusty winds will be a concern in the Western Mojave Desert as well.

# STATE WEATHER MAP



Last map update: Dec, 10th 2015 at 6:29:17 am MST



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# **FIRE ACTIVITY**

## **Preparedness Levels**

### **National Preparedness Level 1**

#### **Northern California**

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

#### **Southern California**

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

## **California Fire Potential & Weather Maps**

### **Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential**

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

### **Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential**

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

### **California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings**

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

### **NWS California River Forecast Center:**

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>





# CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

## Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance finalized an updated 2015 version of the drought brochure of programs and services for individuals, businesses, farmers, and ranchers. It has been put on the Governor's Drought webpage. State agencies may put the following link to the brochure on their webpage <http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf>
- Cal OES Regions (Inland, Coastal, Southern) collective OA drought call is facilitated by the SOC and will be held once per month.

# CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

## Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

### **Local Emergency Proclamations:**

**A total of 63 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:**

- 29 Counties: Butte, Colusa, Calaveras, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Inyo, Humboldt, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 13 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Manteca (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Porterville (Tulare County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), City of Rancho Cucamonga (San Bernardino County) and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County), City of Willits (Mendocino County), and City of Fort Bragg (Mendocino County).
- 9 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County), Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa Stanislaus County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County), Montecito Water District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada Irrigation District (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne County), and Twain Harte Community Services District (Tuolumne County).



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*We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.*